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# TONGWYNLAIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Meeting Held at The Tanyard, Tongwynlais, on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015. Meeting Commenced at 7:00pm.**

### **1.00 ATTENDANCE :**

**Community Councillors:** Chairman Brian Griffiths, Michael Griffiths, Chris Morgan, Ceri Morgan, Mike Jones-Pritchard and Linda Morgan.

**Clerk:** Rebecca Crandon

**Co-opted Member:** Ceri Lane

**County Councillors:** Cllr Jonathan Evans and Cllr Chris Davis

**Members of the public.** None

**Police Representatives:** PCSO Richard Davies

### **2.00 APOLOGIES:**

2.01 County Councillors: Ben Thomas and David Groves.  
Cllrs Graham Walters, Julie Jones and Peeter Tiidt.

### **3.00 DECLARATION AND REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS:**

3.01 None

### **4.00 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

4.01 The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2015 were agreed.

### **5.00 POLICE MATTERS**

5.01 No crime figures were available. PC Richard Davies reported that a few vans were broken into outside of the Lewis Arms. The Clerk had received an email from PC Huw Thomas regarding the PACT meeting that was held and issues raised by residents. Parking around the school, speeding through the village, vehicles from the quarry causing early morning noise, dog fouling and speeding bicycles along Ironbridge Road to the Taff Trail. PC Richard Davies said that the Police could organise a speed watch as this has already been done in Whitchurch. Cllr Mike

Jones-Pritchard reported that a speed watch had already been done in Tongwynlais, a few drivers were stopped as some were travelling over the 20mph limit. Junior PCSO's will be leafleting and talking to parents regarding the parking issues outside Tongwynlais Primary School. It is illegal for anyone to park where the green traffic cones are and PCSO Laura Moore will be addressing this issue. Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard said that school parking problems were throughout the city with parents even parking on the zig-zag lines outside the schools. Cllr Jonathan Evans reported that the County Councillors had also taken up those issues from the PACT with the County Council. With regard to parking outside the schools Cllr Jonathan Evans had attended a partnership meeting and spoken with the Responsible Cabinet Member to see whether the Officers could organise a public awareness campaign. It is a case of educating the parents and where possible issue tickets. Cllr Linda Morgan reported that she had spoken with PC Huw Thomas regarding the road closure for the Christmas Fayre and to see whether any Police cover could be available.

**6.00 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND ANY REMAINING BUSINESS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

- 6.01 Item 6.01 Neighbourhood Fund Application, the Clerk has received no information to date regarding this.
- 6.02 The Chair enquired as to whether anything had been decided for the school. Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard stated that the school were delighted with the idea of a notice board and if a cheque could be raised for £200.00 they would arrange the purchase.
- 6.03 The Clerk produced a letter for the Chair to sign in order to transfer the funds for the Christmas Lighting costs.
- 6.04 The Christmas street lights have been put up but not on the Church yet. The Clerk was asked to contact Floodlighting to arrange this.
- 6.05 The Clerk received a lovely letter from Joanne Owens which was read out to the Community Council. The Community Council are prepared to donate money towards a memorial bench for Leon Whittle and the Clerk was asked to write to Joanne to find out the cost of the bench.
- 6.06 Item 10.05 The Chair enquired as to whether the Clerk had written to the Parks Department regarding replacing the bark in the playground as reported by Cllr Linda Morgan. The Clerk confirmed that an email had been sent but no reply had been received to date. Ceri Lane informed the Community Council that it had already been topped up.
- 6.07 Cllr Linda Morgan enquired as to whether anything had been done regarding the overhanging bushes/trees in the lane behind Grants Close. The Clerk confirmed that an acknowledgement to her email had been received. Cllr Jonathan Evans will make further enquiries.
- 6.08 The knitting and sewing class held every other Wednesday at the Tanyard has had their finding stopped and the Community Council has agreed to drop the rate to £10 per session.

6.09 Wales and West Housing Association held a meeting at the Tanyard last week from 10am to 3pm offering help to anyone who was unemployed. Assistance would have been given for job applications and CV writing. Leaflets were dropped in houses regarding the services provided and only one person turned up who enquired whether further homes would be built in Tongwynlais.

6.10 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard said that there would be a litter pick next Sunday.

## **7.00 CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS, PLANNING APPLICATIONS & REPORTS OF MEETINGS:-**

7.01 Cllr Mike Jones-Pritchard stated that he had attended a meeting of the annual review of the school and the inspection procedure. Nothing was reported as information is confidential.

### **7.02 The Clerk reported the following correspondence received since the previous meeting:-**

- a) A planning application was received from Mr K Ray 37 Queen Street, Tongwynlais to build a small house at the end of the garden, there were no objections.
- b) Correspondence was received regarding the LDP re. 50/50 modal split for transport.
- c) Electricity bill £27.64
- d) Correspondence re: Castle Heights' development, an extension on the golf club.
- e) Further information on DVD regarding the property development on Llantrisant Road.
- f) British Gas statement £94.80.
- g) One Voice Wales Minutes from the September meeting.
- h) Vale of Glamorgan LDP examination.
- i) Correspondence re: Ombudsman Wales Bill.
- j) £48.72 Invoice from Blackwood Fire annual fire extinguisher service.

## **8.00 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SIGNING OF CHEQUES:**

8.01 The Clerk provided a 6 monthly budget and cash flow forecast.

### **Expenditure**

Wages September	1459/60/61	-698.90
Expenses September	1459/60/61	-5.00
Gas British Gas	d/d	-120.52
Electricity British Gas	d/d	-19.87
Cardiff Council Rental	1462	-10.00
Mazars Audit Fees	1463	-246.00

8.02 Cheques to be raised by the clerk: Wages & expenses £626.19, Blackwood Fire £48.72 and Tongwynlais Primary School £200.00

**9.00 NOTICES OF MOTION**

9.01 The amendment to the standing order will be done next month.

**10.00 QUESTION TIME**

10.01 Cllr Linda Morgan requested whether anyone would be available to help man the road closure for the Christmas Fayre.

10.02 Cllr Chris Davis mentioned the benches opposite the school and said that repairs will be scheduled for the 30<sup>th</sup> October. The Chair informed the Community Council that during grass cutting one of the council workmen hit and damaged the concrete base on the bench. This bench was donated by the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church and installed by the Community Council. Also the base of the bench that Henry usually sits on has also been damaged, the Chair asked Cllr Chris Davis whether a new bench could be installed to replace it.

**11.00 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS BY PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR**

11.01 None

**12.00 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

12.01 The date of the next meeting will be Monday November 30<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 19.00 hours.

12.02 The meeting closed 19.55 hours.